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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Marlene H. Dortch, Esq. Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

> Re: Notice of Ex Parte Communication, MB Docket Nos. 09-182, 07-294, 10-71

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Please find attached a copy of an ex parte communication from Joshua Pila, Senior Counsel of LIN Television Corporation d/b/a LIN Media to Adonis Hoffman, Chief of Staff and Senior Legal Advisor – Media, for Commissioner Clyburn.

Should you have any questions about this correspondence, please contact the undersigned counsel.

		Very truly yours,
		<u>/s/</u>
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Subject: Snow - Canceling Monday at 2 p.m.

Adonis,

I'm sorry to report that they're predicting a blizzard for Rhode Island on Monday. This winter has been crazy! Out of respect for your time given the weather prediction, I unfortunately think the best course is for us to cancel our Monday 2pm meeting in person. I can be available by phone if you'd like.

Attached is a letter that I planned to provide you on Monday from our Savannah, Georgia GM, whose station has a SSA/JSA with WTGS. I hope that you will review it and share it with your boss - it talks about some of the real world implications of proposals to attribute JSAs.

At a bottom line, all of LIN's JSAs were filed as part of long-form applications. We did everything we were supposed to do, and we've invested, built teams, and strengthened our owned and serviced stations based on those grants. We think that the failure to at the very least permanently grandfather these JSAs would bring unnecessary harm to the communities the stations serve, LIN's shareholders, and the public interest.

As I mentioned before, I'm always available to answer any questions you may have about this issue. I'm sorry that my DC visit will not work out on Monday. I will, of course, file this communication and the attached in the appropriate dockets,



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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Commissioner Mignon Clyburn Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Commissioner Clyburn,

I am not a lawyer. I am not a lobbyist. I'm the General Manager of WJCL (ABC) in Savannah, Georgia, serving Georgians and South Carolinians. This is my team.



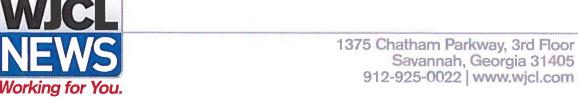
Together, we are working to serve the public in our DMA on WJCL and WTGS (Fox). Our slogan is "Working for You".

While I just moved to Savannah last year for this job, as long as anyone around here can remember WJCL has been providing services to WTGS. I'm told that FCC records show that the joint sales relationship goes back to at least 1999 - about 15 years.









I left Ohio to come to Savannah in part because LIN told me about the opportunities inherent in the sharing arrangements, which had just been approved by the FCC as part of LIN's acquisition of WJCL. As a former news director, I saw lots of ways this sharing arrangement was benefitting and could benefit the wants and needs of the DMA's multi-faceted communities.

In particular, it impressed me that Thomas J. Vaughan, a long-time broadcaster, is the owner of WTGS. I've known T.J. since the late 1970s, and have always been impressed with his commitment to broadcasting and local public service. Between the support from LIN for investments and community relations and T.J.'s dedication to serving the public and doing it right, I knew that this job would be great.

Indeed, WTGS has benefitted greatly from this relationship. For example, In celebration of Black History Month WTGS is running a series of historic vignettes titled Famous Firsts that related historic events in Savannah's African American history. These vignettes are hosted by WJCL News Anchor Kevin Holmes and are made possible by WJCL's production facilities. With the assistance of WJCL, WTGS also airs the Reedy River Rivalry, a baseball game between the University of South Carolina and Clemson. Given your South Carolina roots, I know you understand the importance of this game to our communities.

I'm therefore saddened by proposals to break up our team, to make it harder for WTGS to serve the public. Breaking up a sales relationship that's lasted more than a decade would undoubtedly add administrative cost, affect real people's livelihoods, and leave WTGS weaker. Proposals regarding shared services agreements could go further and could cause even more harm.

I hope that you will see that this is not just an inside-the-beltway issue, but that investments, teams, and brands have been built upon a relationship that has been in place for years and with specific agreements recently approved by the FCC. I ask only that the FCC consider the adage of "do no harm" and protect the viewers of WJCL and WTGS, the charities and causes the stations support, and the community institutions of Georgia and South Carolina within our DMA.

Sincerely,

Les Vann

General Manager, WJCL





